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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Frederick J. Fritz, Michael H. Tardugno, Reuben Zielinski, and Randall R. Tucker

Application No.: 09/804,982 Group: 2643

Filed: March 13, 2001 Examiner: Not Assigned

For: HEARING AID WITH TINTED COMPONENTS

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING	
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on June 6, 2001	<i>Sharon G. Carlisle</i>
Date	Signature
Sharon G. Carlisle	
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(COL. 1)	(COL. 2)	(COL. 3)	(COL. 4)	(COL. 5)
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	40	MINUS	* 40	0
INDEP	7	MINUS	** 7	0
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

* not fewer than 20
** not fewer than 3

SMALL ENTITY		
	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$9	\$
X	\$40	\$
+	\$135	\$

TOTAL = \$ 0

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY		
	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$18	\$ 0
X	\$80	\$ 0
+	\$270	\$ 0

TOTAL = \$ 0

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for the following fees:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition for [] month Extension of Time	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment Fee	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Fees:		
	_____	\$	_____
	_____	\$	_____
	TOTAL:	\$	<u>0</u>

A check is enclosed in payment of the following fees:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Petition for [] month Extension of Time	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment Fee	\$	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other Fees:		
	_____	\$	_____
	_____	\$	_____
	TOTAL:	\$	<u>0</u>

☒ A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as
follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the Related Applications paragraph at page 1, lines 2 through 14 with the
following paragraph:

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